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Re: Eames v. Nationwide
C.A. No. 04-1324 KAJ

Gentlemen:

This will confirm that at this morning's teleconference occasioned by plaintiffs' Motion to Compel, I ruled as follows:

(1) The filing of the motion did not comply with Local Rule 7.1.1, or paragraph 3.f. of the Scheduling Order.

(2) Counsel for the parties are to meet and confer with respect to the issues raised by the motion in a good faith effort to resolve or minimize the disputes, and counsel shall report to me in writing by 5 p.m. on Monday, April 3, 2006 the results of the meet and confer consultations.

(3) Upon review of the submissions by counsel, I shall determine whether a Motion to Compel will be permitted, and its form and that of any responsive filings.

I also reminded counsel for Nationwide that, without prejudging any litigation position's merits, its discovery obligations *may* be broader than its litigation position as to what the word "full" means.

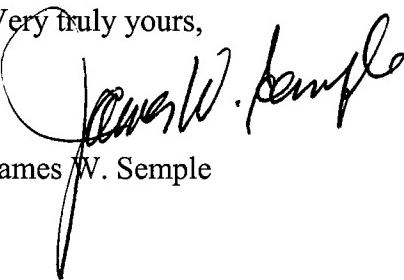
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I also reminded counsel that the party that is moving for relief or applying for relief must arrange for a court reporter.

I encourage counsel to listen to your adversary and to seek to build an agreement on his words rather than to attack them. I do expect progress to be made and that the dispute will be either resolved or significantly limited.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James W. Semple". The signature is fluid and cursive, with "James" and "W." being more stylized and "Semple" being more legible at the end.

James W. Semple

JWS/mmt

cc: The Honorable Kent A. Jordan
Clerk, U.S. District Court